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## **Sex Offender Level III Notification**

Date: 06/19/17

The Lewis County Sheriff's Office is releasing the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.50, which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public when the release of information will enhance public safety and protection. The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of a sex offense that requires registration with the Sheriff's Office. Further, their previous history places them in a classification level that reflects the potential to re-offend. The individual served the sentence imposed by the court and has properly notified the Sheriff's Office of their current address. The law does not require this offender to do anything other than register. **THEY ARE NOT WANTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AT THIS TIME. THIS NOTIFICATION IS NOT INTENDED TO INCREASE FEAR; RATHER, IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT AN INFORMED PUBLIC IS A SAFER PUBLIC.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Detective Jamey McGinty or Field Operations Chief Bruce Kimsey at 360-748-9286. Check online at <http://www.sheriffalerts.com>.



**Name: Steven Richard Hooper**

**Address TRANSIENT**

**Age: 30**

**Height: 5'10" Weight: 230 Hair: Brown Eyes: Blue**

**Sex: Male Race: White**

**Synopsis of Information: In 2010, Hooper was convicted in Lewis County Superior Court of two counts Child Molestation 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and Communication with a Minor for Immoral Purposes. The crimes were the result of Hooper establishing a sexual relationship with a 13-year-old female when he was 23 years old. In 2000 Hooper was convicted in Clatsop County Circuit Court,**

**Clatsop County, OR, for the crime of Sexual Abuse 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. The crime involved Hooper, who at the time was 13 years old, sexually assaulting a sleeping 43-year-old female relative. Based on the totality of circumstances Hooper has been identified as a clear risk to the community and this notification is required.**

Using this public information to threaten, intimidate or harass sex offenders will not be tolerated by the law enforcement agencies of Lewis County. This abuse could potentially terminate our ability to release this important information to the public.